



Council District 6

Melissa Cabello Havrda



Dear Neighbors,

With the adoption of the FY2020 Budget behind us, I look forward to spending more time with you at the numerous community events coming up this fall. The District 6 Team is planning many District 6 events over the next few months, and we hope you'll be able to participate!

[National Night Out](#)

National Night Out is fast approaching, and I want to know if your neighborhood is hosting an event. National Night Out is a neighborhood crime and drug prevention event that occurs annually in San Antonio and across the nation. **This year National Night Out will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 1st.** In addition to increasing awareness of crime and drug prevention programs, National Night Out provides neighbors the opportunity to build stronger relationships with each other and the San Antonio Police Department.

The District 6 Staff and I will be traveling across the district on National Night Out to visit many of our neighborhoods. Last week our office reached out to all neighborhood leaders sharing that we will be providing registered NAs and HOAs with event food and tableware. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to join and support many of our District 6 neighborhoods for

National Night Out. If you'd like to have myself or a staff member attend your neighborhood's festivities, email Neighborhood Engagement Officer Martin Trevino at martin.trevino@sanantonio.gov.

Grissom Road Greenbelt

The District 6 Neighborhood Engagement Team has been hard at work addressing hundreds of constituent cases that have come into our office since the start of the new council term. One common issue that many residents share with us involves homelessness, drug use, illegal dumping, and other public health and safety concerns in and along the Grissom Road Greenbelt which runs between the Great Northwest, Misty Oaks, and The Meadows Neighborhoods.

Our office has been coordinating with the Department of Human Services, Development Services Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Transportation and Capital Improvements, and the San Antonio Police Department to develop a comprehensive plan to address this area. In the upcoming months, the District 6 Office will be organizing a clean up of the Grissom Road Greenbelt. In the meantime, we want to hear from any District 6 resident that has also experienced issues with this area. If you or your neighbors have concerns, please reach out to the District 6 Neighborhood Engagement Team.

This Week at City Council

On Thursday, City Council approved an Interlocal Agreement with the Alamo Community College District allocating \$1,087,710 for education and training programs. This Interlocal Agreement also specifically allocates \$154,218 for the Alamo College's initial year of the Alamo Promise Program.

The Alamo Promise Program is a partnership between the City of San Antonio, Alamo Colleges, and community partners to cover the cost of tuition for the first two years of community college for eligible students who plan to earn an associate degree, certification, courses for transfer, or workforce training. Alamo Promise will provide last-dollar scholarship funding to fill the gap between a student's financial aid award and the cost of tuition and fees for the first two years at one of the Alamo Colleges District's five colleges.

I am extremely excited about this program as it will help eliminate the

financial barriers to higher education for many Northside and Edgewood ISD students in the District 6 Community. I am committed to increasing economic opportunity as well as meeting the workforce demands in our City, and I believe that this investment in our young people is a step in the right direction. You can read more about the Alamo Promise Program [*here*](#).

Communicating With You

Thank you to every District 6 resident that has provided feedback on how the District 6 Office can better communicate with you. As your Councilwoman, it is my job to ensure you receive vital information that affects your daily life. In addition to regularly attending neighborhood meetings and sending out this weekly e-newsletter, my staff and I frequently post on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and NextDoor to provide updates on upcoming community events, infrastructure projects, and important actions taken by the City Council.

While our office uses several mediums to communicate with the District 6 Community, we want to know how we can better share information with you. If you have any feedback, please share your thoughts with us by emailing district6@sanantonio.gov, calling our office at 210-207-3749, or visiting us at 8373 Culebra Road, Suite 202.

Yours in service,



Melissa Cabello Havrda
Councilwoman, District 6

**FROM THE
DISTRICT 6 OFFICE**

**FY2020 Budget Addresses
Many District 6 Priorities**

The following is Councilwoman Cabello Havrda's statement on approval of the FY2020 Budget:

"I am very pleased with the budget we approved today. I began my term as a City Council member by stating my priorities for my district: public safety, affordable housing, property tax relief, park space, and the infrastructure needs of District 6. This budget goes a long way toward addressing those priorities. Specifically, we are pleased to have the addition of a pocket park in the John Jay High School area, a dedicated Animal Care Services officer, supplemental medical services to cover SAFD Zone 44, and the repurposing of a blighted property into a linear creek trailhead. All of these items will significantly improve the quality of life in District 6."



Council District 6
Melissa Cabello Havrda

FY2020 Budget

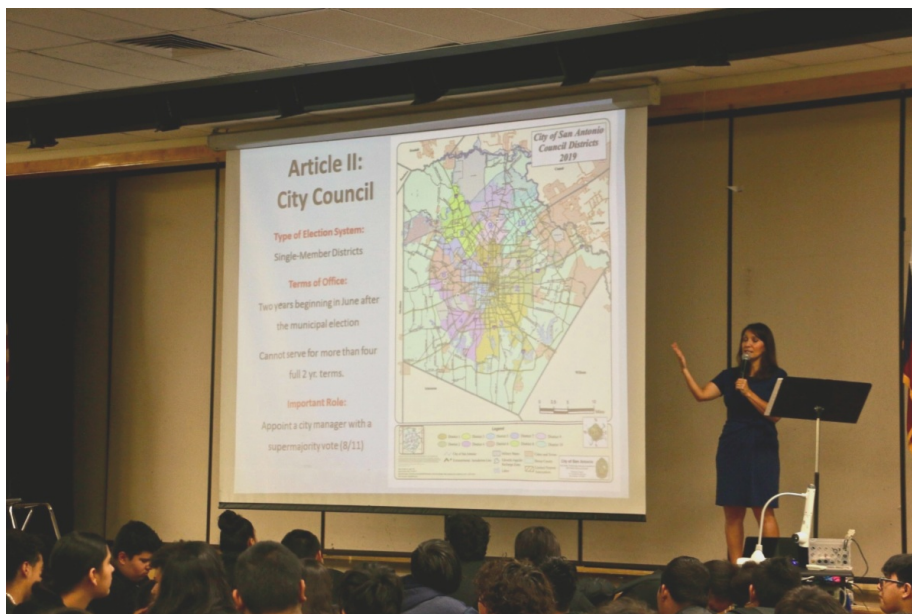


The Week in Photos



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda joined District 6 residents at the Highway 151 and Loop 1604 Area Regional Center Community Meeting on Monday evening at Northwest Vista College. The City of San Antonio Planning Department hosted the open house to provide all interested parties the opportunity to review and comment on materials related to land use, housing, and economic development for the Highway 151 and Loop 1604 Area Regional Center Plan.

Not able to attend the open house? Check out the digital survey [here](#) and check out more photos of the open house [here](#).



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda spoke to 8th Graders at Anson Jones Middle

School on Tuesday morning for Constitution Week. The presentation focused on the San Antonio City Charter and the responsibilities of the San Antonio City Council.



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda joined local seniors at the Alicia Trevino Lopez Senior Center for National Senior Center Month on Wednesday morning. Many District 6 seniors shared how the Trevino Lopez Senior Center is their second home where they can share a laugh with friends or receive a nutritious meal. The entire District 6 Team would like to thank Esther and Vanessa, along with the numerous volunteers, who work to provide a welcoming and family-like community every day at the Trevino Lopez Senior Center.

Check out more photos of the event [*here*](#).



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda attended the Great Northwest Neighborhood

Meeting on Thursday evening where she provided updates on the City's efforts to acquire land for the Howard Peak Greenway Trails System and answered questions on the City of San Antonio's Short Term Rentals Ordinance.

Council Committee Meetings

The District 6 Office has heard from many residents about the need to bring greater transparency to local government. While Council A and B Sessions have historically been broadcast on public access television and online at TVSA, the City of San Antonio has started broadcasting Council Committee Meetings and some Boards and Commissions Meetings.

Back in July, Mayor Nirenberg appointed Councilwoman Cabello Havrda to seven Council Committees including the Public Safety, Transportation and Mobility, Inter-Governmental Relations, Economic and Workforce Development, Innovation and Technology, Investments, and Municipal Court Committees. To keep residents informed on what happens on these council committees, below you'll find the calendar of Councilwoman Cabello Havrda's committee meetings for the next month. We hope you'll tune in!

Innovation and Technology Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, September 24th

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: City Council Chambers

Public Safety Committee Meeting (Rescheduled from earlier in month)

Date: Thursday, September 26th

Time: 10:00 am

Location: City Council Chambers

Economic and Workforce Development Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 1st

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: City Council Chambers

Inter-Governmental Relations Committee Meeting

Date: Wednesday, October 9th

Time: 10:00 am

Location: City Council Chambers

Public Safety Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 15th

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: City Council Chambers

Transportation and Mobility Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, October 21st

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: City Council Chambers

You can access each committee meeting agenda [*here*](#).

Looking for An Opportunity to Serve Your Community?

The District 6 Office is currently seeking applicants to fill Boards and Commissions vacancies. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Neighborhood Improvements Advisory Committee

Small Business Advocacy Committee

Transportation Advisory Board

City Commission on Veterans Affairs

Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee

San Antonio Housing Trust

City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board
(College students only)

For more information, please call Matthew Baiza at
matthew.baiza@sanantonio.gov or call 210-207-3479.

[Click here to apply today!](#)

Survey: Civic Engagement in District 6



District 6 residents, we want to hear from you!

In partnership with the volunteers from the Latina Leadership Institute, the District 6 Office would like residents to take this brief survey and let us know how you feel about street and sidewalk repairs in the district. We also want to know how you prefer to get involved in your community and learn if there is an interest in pop up civic engagement events, right in your neighborhood.

You can access the survey [*here*](#).

AROUND DISTRICT 6

Upcoming Community Meetings



Meadow Village Neighborhood Meeting

Date: September 24th

Time: 7:00pm



Northwest Crossing Neighborhood Meeting

Date: September 25th

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Meadow Village
Elementary Cafeteria, 1406
Meadow Way

**Community Workers Council
Neighborhood Meeting**

Date: September 26th

Time:

Location: Bethel Senior Center, 227
S. Acme Rd.

**Northwest Neighborhood
Alliance Meeting**

Date: October 2nd

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Braun Station West
Clubhouse, 8630 Tezel Rd.

**Great Northwest Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 3rd

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Great Northwest Lodge,
8890 Timberwilde

Tara Neighborhood Meeting

Date: October 9th

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Christian Evers
Elementary, 1715 Richland Hills

**Oak Creek Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 14th

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Cavalry Hills Baptist
Church, 910 W. Loop 1604 N.

Location: Weybridge Club House,
10280 Dover Ridge

**City of San Antonio
National Night Out**

Date: October 1st

Time: Varies by Neighborhood

Location: Various Neighborhoods
Across District 6

**Terminate Graffiti Monthly
Meeting**

Date: October 2nd

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Prue Substation, 5020
Prue Road

**New Territories Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 3rd

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Brauchle Elementary
Cafeteria, 8555 Bowens Crossing

**Misty Oaks Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 14th

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Swimming Pool Office,
7711 Misty Park

**Guilbeau Park Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 15th

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Guilbeau Park
Community Center, 9214 Caen

**Pipers Meadow Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 15th

Time: 7:00pm

Location: District 6 Field Office,
8373 Culebra Rd.

**Los Jardines Neighborhood
Meeting**

Date: October 16th

Time: 6:30pm

Location: 1030 Enrique Barrera
Pkwy, Suite 1

**Free Fun at San Antonio Libraries
September 20-22**



TODDLER 2

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Friday, September 20

10:15am

Guerra Chess Club

Guerra Branch Library (7978 Military Dr. W., 78227)

Friday, September 20

3 – 5pm

Kids, Teens, Adults, Family, Seniors, All Ages

Chess is a great game for all ages. Join our group each Friday to learn about the game and to meet other chess players.

Quilting with the GNW Library Bee

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Saturday, September 21

10am – 12pm

Interactive Oregon Trail

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Saturday, September 21

3 – 4pm

Come to the Potranco Library and participate in a Lifesize interactive Oregon trail game. Build your own wagon, go through obstacles, learn about the real trail and cross rivers....whatever you do...don't get dysentery!

I Heart Vinyl

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, September 22

All Day

This day-long event showcases Potranco Branch Library's stellar collection of classic and contemporary vinyl.

Sunday Funday (Teens Only)

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Sunday, September 22

1 – 2:30pm

Enjoy a good time on a Sunday Afternoon. Our Fun Day will be full of video games, virtual reality, trivia, board games, snacks and more!!!!

AROUND THE CITY

September 21: MedDropSA Collection Date

The safe and easiest way to dispose of unwanted medications is to utilize the services of MedDropSA. Over-the-counter medicines and prescriptions pose a risk to the environment when flushed down the toilet or thrown away and dumped in a landfill.

The following information is from their website at MedDropSA.com

- DO bring unused or expired prescription medications as well as out of date or unwanted over-the-counter medications.
- DO bring pills dumped into a zipper storage bag.
- DO bring liquids in their original container.
- DON'T bring needles or other 'sharps'.

The next 2019 Collection Date is Saturday, September 21st from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Alamo City Church, 6500 Interstate 35 North.

September 21: Historic Homeowner Fair

Join the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), preservation professionals, and your neighbors at the 11th annual Historic Homeowner Fair to learn how to maintain your home!

The Historic Homeowner Fair is a free event hosted by OHP that brings together owners of aging and historic homes with local professionals, services, and solutions. The fair provides education to homeowners about caring for and maintaining their properties.



11TH HISTORIC FAIR ANNUAL HOMEOWNER PRESENTED BY *Pearl*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | 9AM - 2PM | PEARL STABLE
307 PEARL PKWY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78215

Join the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP), preservation professionals, and your neighbors at the 11th annual Historic Homeowner Fair!

The Historic Homeowner Fair is a **free** event hosted by OHP that brings together owners of aging and historic homes with local professionals, services, and solutions and educates homeowners about caring for and maintaining their properties.

What to Expect

More than 1,500 attendees
Residents from all historic districts
Exhibit hall with 60 booths
Workshops & Ask-an-Expert sessions
Free and open to everyone!

New to 2019: Rehabber Club DIY Panel

- Learn the tricks of the trade
- Become a member of the Rehabber Club
- Includes free lunch!
- *Advanced registration required



Visit www.SApreservation.com
for more information!



September 23: Animal Care Services Free Pet Clinic

Animal Care Services is highlighting World Rabies Awareness Day with

vaccinations and visuals. Animal Care Services is partnering with local veterinary service, **PetShots**, **Monday, September 23rd**, to provide **free rabies shots and microchips** for San Antonio pet owners while they last. The clinic, which runs from **2 p.m. to 5 p.m.**, will take place at the shelter located at 4710 State Highway 151. Other low cost wellness services will be available and ACS bite investigators will also be on hand to offer educational information.

World Rabies Awareness Day is observed annually on the 28th of September and hopes to create and spread awareness about the deadly virus that can be caused by contact with wildlife or pets who have not been vaccinated.

September 23 and 25: Paid Sick Leave Public Meetings

The City of San Antonio will be hosting two public meetings regarding proposed changes to the Paid Sick Leave Ordinance next week.

The two public meetings are as follows:

September 23, 2019 at 6pm

TriPoint Events Center
3233 N St. Mary's St
San Antonio, TX 78212

September 25, 2019 at 6pm

El Progreso Hall
1306 Guadalupe St
San Antonio, TX 78207

If you have feedback on the proposed changes,
be sure to fill out the City of San Antonio survey [here](#).

SPEAK UP ABOUT

PAID SICK LEAVE IN SAN ANTONIO!



September 23, 2019 | 6pm

TriPoint Events Center 3233 N St Mary's St
San Antonio, TX 78212

September 25, 2019 | 6pm

El Progreso Hall 1306 Guadalupe St
San Antonio, TX 78207

**Learn about proposed changes to
the ordinance and share your
input!**



**PAID SICK
LEAVE**



September 28: National Night Out Kickoff Celebration

We hope you will enjoy National Night Out in one of the great communities of District 6, but if your neighborhood is not participating, the City of San Antonio invites you to Brooks for the citywide celebration!



JOIN THE CITYWIDE
**NATIONAL
NIGHT OUT**
KICKOFF CELEBRATION
#BROOKSNNO



Sponsored by:



SAT.
SEP 28

5:00PM - 9:00PM
HANGAR 9

8081 Inner Circle Rd.,
San Antonio, Texas, 78235

Join us as we celebrate and get to know our local law enforcement heroes with family-friendly activities and a free outdoor showing of "Zootopia" starting at dusk.



#livebrooks

For more information visit livebrooks.com/events



Brooks

October 26: 2nd Annual abilitySTRONG Parade



Saturday, October 26th, 2019

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Downtown, San Antonio

2019 Theme

Awareness...we're stronger together

2019 Motto: I Have A Voice

"I Have A Voice" is the 2019 pillar we will use to communicate this message to San Antonio.

2019 Grand Marshal:

Samuel Allen, Samuel Allen Law

Led by members of the City Council of San Antonio

The abilitySTRONG Parade is San Antonio's inaugural Disability Pride Celebration is a public expression of the belief that disability is a natural and beautiful part of human diversity in which people living with disabilities can take pride. Click [here](#) for more information.

NEWS FOR YOU

Metro Health and the Dangers of Using E-Cigarettes



The San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health) is strongly recommending that residents discontinue the use of e-cigarettes and vaping devices. There have been six deaths and over 450 possible cases of lung illness associated with using e-cigarettes reported to the CDC across 33 states and the US Virgin Islands. Though there have been 17 cases and an additional 12 cases under investigation in Texas, as of today we do not have any confirmed illnesses or deaths reported in Bexar County.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and The American Lung Association (ALA) have both expressed their concern about the outbreak of lung illnesses associated with the use of e-cigarettes. According to the CDC, e-cigarettes deliver an aerosol to the user by heating a liquid that usually contains nicotine, flavorings, and/or other chemicals. To date all reported cases have indicated the use of e-cigarette products and some patients have reported using e-cigarettes containing cannabinoid products, such as THC.

“Metro Health will continue to educate the public by sharing information with the media and residents. It is important that parents are aware of the dangers of e-cigarettes and speak to their teens about the risks associated with vaping. We urge the community to be vigilant about vaping products that they or family members are using. If you or someone you know vapes and develops

even minor problems with breathing, or feeling ill, it is important to seek medical attention immediately” said Jennifer Herriott, Interim Director of Metro Health.

The San Antonio Council on Alcohol & Drug Awareness (SACADA) will be sharing information with prevention specialists in schools. Metro Health also advises teachers and school district personnel to continue informing students of the dangers of illness that can be linked to e-cigarette use.

Some recommendations issued by the CDC include:

- Youth and young adults should not use e-cigarette products.
- Women who are pregnant should not use e-cigarette products.
- Adults who do not currently use tobacco products should not start using e-cigarette products.
- If you do use e-cigarette products, you should not buy these products off the street (for example, e-cigarette products with THC or other cannabinoids).
- You should not modify e-cigarette products or add any substances to these products that are not intended by the manufacturer.
- Adult smokers who are attempting to quit should use evidence-based treatments, including counseling and FDA-approved medications. If you need help quitting tobacco products, including e-cigarettes, contact your doctor or other medical provider.

Local Healthcare Providers are asked to report suspected cases to Metro Health at (210) 207-8876. If you are concerned about your health after using an e-cigarette product, you can also call your local poison control center at 1-800-222-1222. For more resources and information visit www.cdc.gov/tobacco or www.sanantonio.gov/health.

Emergency Preparedness At Your Fingertips



The City of San Antonio has launched a brand-new mobile preparedness app called Ready South Texas. The app is an all-hazards overview of disaster information to help residents of San Antonio prepare, plan, and respond to

disasters in the South Texas Area.

Using the Ready South Texas app, you will be able to:

- Share your status with your selected contacts with the push of a button
- Receive critical emergency alerts via push notifications
- Locate active emergency shelters
- View up-to-date evacuation route maps
- Get the latest news and weather reports
- Create a personalized Emergency Preparedness Plan

Once an emergency plan is generated, it is stored on your smartphone and can easily be shared with family members and friends.

The plan comprises:

- An Emergency Supply Kit Checklist tailored to your needs
- A Customized Emergency Food Supply Shopping list
- An Emergency Communications Plan to notify your loved ones of your status
- Critical Information to prepare your home for impending disaster

As a Ready South Texas app subscriber, you will also have access to a number of E-Guides covering important topics such as:

- Public Health Emergencies
- Terrorism
- Disaster Recovery
- Active Shooter Response
- Floods

The app is free and is available on the AppStore or Google Play today!

City Budget Supports Military Spouses and Enhances Joint Base San Antonio



The City of San Antonio is investing approximately \$550,000 in mutually beneficial projects that work to strengthen the partnership between San

Antonio and the U.S. military. Funds from the FY 2020 Budget provide support for Joint Base San Antonio's infrastructure needs, including gate and drainage improvements. Additionally, newly-approved funds appropriated in the FY 2019 Budget support a new Hiring Our Heroes program that provides assistance to military spouses seeking employment.

"This is yet another example of the City of San Antonio's tangible commitment to supporting the military and their families," Mayor Ron Nirenberg said. "The military is now able to put the cost of these projects toward preparing their men and women for whenever their nation calls on them. Our city's efforts improve our military's operational readiness, increase service members' quality of life and add military value to our installations."

The gates at Valley Hi Drive, N. Walters Street and S. New Braunfels Avenue, located at Lackland Air Force Base and Fort Sam Houston, are scheduled for improvements that will enhance Anti-Terrorism Force Protection standard requirements, ease traffic congestion and increase safety, both inside and outside the bases. The City will also fund drainage culvert improvements at Lackland Air Force Base, Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis. These improvements will mitigate recurring flood damage and enhance the security around the installation.

"Thank you to the City of San Antonio for its commitment to the men and women serving across Joint Base San Antonio. We are extremely grateful for the strong partnership and generous support to improve our infrastructure and quality of life initiatives," said Brig. Gen. Laura Lenderman, 502d Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio Commander. "From enhancing security, to mitigating environmental concerns, to helping our military spouses gain employment, these initiatives prove we truly live in Military City, USA."

Newly-approved funds from the FY 2019 Budget will support military spouses through the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Hiring our Heroes (HOH) Corporate Fellowship Program. The program provides the spouses of active duty military members with meaningful job opportunities by matching them with participating employers. The City's Office of Military and Veteran Affairs will coordinate between City Departments, HOH and other stakeholders.

San Antonio recently received the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's first-ever 'Community Leader Award' in the space of military spouse employment. Recognized as the community of the year for demonstrating exceptional commitment to impacting military spouse employment, the newly-approved HOH Corporate Fellowship Program is an example of how San Antonio supports this effort.

Residents can contact the City's Office of Military and Veteran Affairs at 210.207.7234 or visit sanantonio.gov/oma for more information on the HOH Corporate Fellowship Program, job opportunities and community resources.

CONTACT DISTRICT 6

City of San Antonio, Council District 6

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM

City Hall Office

P.O. Box 839966

San Antonio, TX 78283

Office Line: (210) 207-7065

Fax Line: (210) 207-8760

Field Office

8373 Culebra Rd, Ste. 202

San Antonio, TX 78251

Field Office Line: (210) 207-3749

EMAIL: district6@sanantonio.gov
